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1 AUGUST 17 ISSUE OF RUDE PRAVO REPORTS THAT JAROSLAV HAVELKA
OF BOSKOVICE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA HAS BEEN SENTENCED TO
THIRTEEN YEARS IN PRISON BY A REGIONAL COURT IN BRNO FOLLOWING HIS
CONVICTION FOR HIJACKING A CZECHOSLOVAK AIRLINES (CSA) AIRCRAFT.
HAVELKA HAD BEEN ACCUSED OF THREATENING TO DETONATE A BOMB ON
CSA'S FLIGHT 174 BETWEEN BRNO AND KARLOVY VARY ON MAY 29, 1978,
UNLESS THE PILOT ALTERED HIS COURSE AND FLEW THE CRAFT TO WEST
GERMANY. HIJACKER WAS APPARENTLY OVERPOWERED BY THE CREW AND
LATER ARRESTED BY THE POLICE AT PRAGUE AIRPORT.

2. COMMENT: ACCORDING TO RUDE PRAVO, HAVELKA WAS FOUND
GUILTY OF VIOLATING SEVERAL PROVISIONS OF CZECHOSLOVAK PENAL CODE,
INCLUDING LEAVING THE TERRITORY OF THE REPUBLIC WITHOUT PERMISSION
AND ABDUCTION OF PERSON(S) ABROAD, INDICATING THAT AT SOME POINT
DURING THE HIJACKING THE AIRCRAFT LEFT CZECHOSLOVAK AIRPACE.
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